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THREE MEXICAN NATIONALS INDICTED FOR ROLE IN METH CONSPIRACY, ILLEGAL FIREARMS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that three Mexican nationals were indicted by a federal grand jury today for illegally possessing firearms and ammunition and conspiring to distribute methamphetamine.

Jesus Anjulo-Lopez, 22, **Luis Hernandez-Ramos**, 28, and **Luis Cital-Montes**, 23, all nationals of Mexico, were charged in a two-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that the co-defendants conspired to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine on Feb. 2, 2005, in Jackson County, Mo.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that the co-defendants were illegal aliens in possession of firearms and ammunition. The indictment alleges that the co-defendants were in possession of a loaded .45-caliber semi-automatic pistol, a 9 mm Rugar semi-automatic pistol and two loaded 9 mm magazines on Feb. 2, 2005.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Bruce Rhoades. The case was investigated by the Clay County Drug Task Force, the Clay County, Mo., Sheriff's Department and the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

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